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Pakenham & District Aircraft Radio Control Society

THE NEWS, MARCH 2015



Rick (Rockets) Talman's North American FJ-2 Fury Fighter, maiden flight Monday 15th. A nice model and he flew it well



Andrew Mysliborski

**NEXT CLUB MEETING,
SUNDAY 8th MARCH AT THE
BURLEY FIELD, 1-00pm START**

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Editor's Bit

A quick message about the Library, in April last year, I marked all the books with a red asterisk on the spine, this April, those books will have been picked over for one year, so I intend to remove them from the Library and send them to recycle

This will make space for new additions

This is a larger than normal Newsletter, with lots of happenings coming up soon as reported by Daniel J, Steve M and Roly G

Hope you compulsory manouvres (landings) are always smooth

Frank McPherson Editor



WHAT'S ON

At P&DARCS 2014

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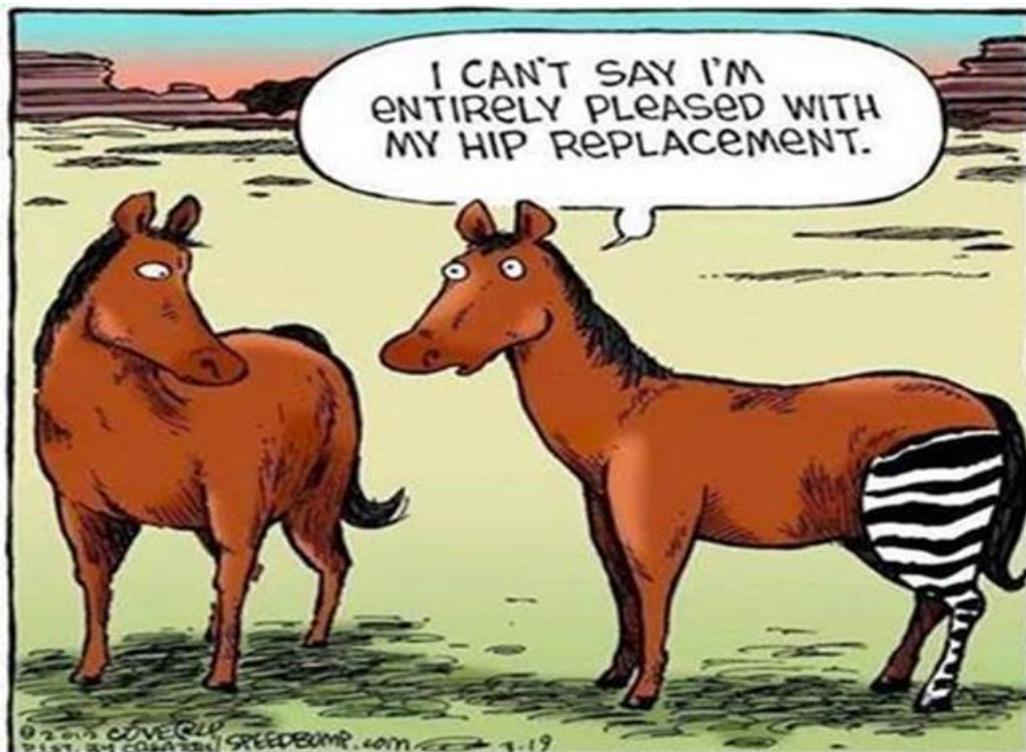
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IMPORTANT NOTICES

- # IF YOU SEE LOCAL FARMER'S COWS ON EITHER WENN OR FOWLER ROADS, CALL THE LOCAL POLICE
- # NAME BADGES MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES, *NO BADGE, NO FLY.* (TO STOP FREELoadERS USING YOUR FLYING FIELD)
- # VISITORS MUST BE SIGNED IN, AND WEAR A "STICK ON" NAME BADGE
- # WHEN STARTING AN I.C POWERED MODEL, OR ARMING AN ELECTRIC POWERED MODEL IN THE PITS, THE MODELS MUST BE RESTRAINED
- # ELECTRIC POWERED MODELS SHOULD BE ARMED AT THE FLYING STRIP AND DISARMED AFTER LANDING

Your Committee needs some volunteers to arrange a celebration of the 50th Anniversary of our first Club Meeting, if you can help, please contact Frank McPherson

ON A LIGHTER NOTE



PRESIDENT

Well,--those of you who were at The last club meeting will already know, the general membership voted to ratify the committee's decision to withdraw support for the 'Large Scale Car Club' for use of part of our property.



I subsequently emailed their president of the decision, and received a phone call within the hour, after prolonged discussion I think he is now aware of a few traps and problems he would have to face in that project.

I spoke with club member Stephen Green regarding Formula 1, racing, and a number of other possible activities which could be hosted by the Club, and these will doubtless be discussed at upcoming Committee meetings, and of course at Club level.

The end of this month will see the Bunyip Scout Troop visiting us again, as I previously mentioned on Thursday 26th Feb, this should be a bumper night, - a lot of fun with the boys and girls - as well as being instructional for their Air Activities Badge

On the Saturday (28th) there will be our normal bimonthly Funfly and Twifly, so get along there and see just how much FUN it can really be.

As C.D. Roly G has already told you, there will be the facility available for both bronze wings and gold wings training, and testing, if you feel you would like to try for your level.

The new equipment shed is now ready for all the internal works and from what I understand, the security system will be such that if a local sparrow flies by, his altitude, velocity, flight path, and ETA at destination will be checked and recorded (something like that anyway).

March will be a fairly busy month, but I won't talk about it now,-- have to leave something for next newsletter.

Have a good look at the Club Calendar, and get organised for lots of flying activity.

Start off with the Labour Day aero tow and progress to the Monty Tyrrell weekend.

That's all for now, -fly safely--land softly

Bill' Reynolds, President

SECRETARY



General meeting held 7th February 2015 at the Burley field Wenn Rd. Cardinia

Meeting opened at 1310hrs. 30 members

Apologies. P Webber

Minutes or the previous minutes be accepted. Moved W Schubach Seconded M Smith Carried

Business arising from previous minutes. Nil

President. Bunyip scouts to attend for an evening session Thursday 26th February for a talk and some flying, will need aircraft and buddy boxes and assistance.

Welcome to new member Tom Bloodworth.

Secretary. E-mails from various club for their fly-in days on club notice board.

Treasurer. Finances read to members, club finances very good.

Field. Sprinklers operating at night during hot weather. Pattern flyers practicing at our field for world comps. in Switzerland later this year.

Special projects. Concrete for the new shed next Tuesday, later a considerable amount of work to be done in the fitting out of the shed, electrical, security etc.

A special thanks to Ivan Chiselett for the amount of time and effort in getting the project starting and finishing.

Safety. Pilots are reminded to make sure the "Mustang" is pointing the correct direction in conjunction with all pilots who are flying. Members signing in visitors are responsible to see that our club rules are adhered too.

Web. New module on web as a "news flash" for members.

Editor. Contact the Editor for any interesting articles via, post, phone or E-mail.

C.D. 28th February for the "twi-fly" simple manouvres to be flown. members who wished to be assessed for Bronze wings attend the fly-in.

Monty Tyrrell event 21st-22nd March, 2 judges for A.R.F. and 2 judges for scratch built planes. \$20 for unlimited models.

Social. Bar-B-Q on twi-fly night. Mont Tyrrell event to be catered for by Cardinia School.

General. Moved F Dibble Seconded B Law "That the club adopt the recommendation of the members of the club at the January General meeting on the Scale Car club using part of our land at the North end of the field be implemented, in withdrawing support for the Scale Car club. General discussion on the club shares, a comprehensive presentation given by the Sub-Committee President A Foley to address the share process.

Moved B Law Seconded A Coleman " That S Green be contacted on the possibility of a Scale Racing event be held at P&DARCS at the end of this year to attend a club meeting and to give members information on the running such an event.

A table to be installed at the end of the "Hay" shed for general model use.

The "Roy Roberson trophy was postponed due to very strong winds, a new date to be set for this event.

Meeting closed at 1500hrs

Next General meeting.

Sunday 8th March 2015 at the "Burley" field 1300hrs.

Saturday 11th April 2015 at the "Burley" field 1300hrs.

Don White, Secretary

CONTEST DIRECTOR



See the president's report

Roly' Gaumann Contest Director

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REGISTRAR



No report for this Month

Cheers,
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Membership to date

	Paid 2014-15	Unpaid	New 14-15
Associate	2	1	0
Full	92	5	0
Junior	0	0	0
Life	3		
Non-flying Full	0	0	0
Pensioner	31	0	0
Probationary	20	2	3
Student	1	1	0
Spouse	1	0	0
Honorary Member	1	0	0

Probationary - Associate	0
Probationary - Full	1
Associate - Full	3

Re Joined - Full	2
Re Joined - Probationary	0
Total Re Joined	2

Passed Away	0
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Resigned	6
Lapsed	8

Sub Total

151	14	3
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These figures only include forms processed by the Registrar

SAFETY OFFICER



Club Members are responsible for their signed – in visitors, and must ensure they are familiar with our rules

Alan Foley Safety Officer

FACILITIES MANAGER



No Report for this Month

Paul Somerville Facilities Manager

THE FERRET REPORT



Diggin' Up Dirt

1. A well known top F3A Flier who stayed at our field recently for 4 days and slept in Norms caravan, (while Norm bunked up in the clubhouse) took modern technology to a new level. While enjoying a sleep in on the Saturday morning, he thought he could hear people talking at 7.30am, so he reached for his Iphone, called up our webcams to see a group of us were enjoying an early morning coffee and chat under the hayshed. He later joined us for coffee and mentioned what he did. We still continue to stir him about it.

2. Andrew M was binding his receiver to his transmitter, at the same time as Chris W & it bound to Chris's transmitter. Andrew sat there trying to work out why his elevator keeps moving whilst Chris sat there trying to work out why his elevator is not moving duhhhh

FIELD MANAGER



See the secretary's report For February

Norm Morrish Field Manager

WEBMASTER



See the secretary's report For February

SOCIAL OFFICER



To celebrate the completion of the building phase of the new shed, we will be having a BBQ on the 28th Feb, nothing fancy, just the usual burnt sausages. If you & your partner are interested in attending, please let me know as I have to get numbers to ensure we have enough food. BBQ will be gold coin donation to the club.

Daniel Jenkins, Social Officer & Webmaster

P&DARCS CALENDAR FOR 2014/2015

Date	Day	Confirmed?	Location	Details	Comments
December 2014					
6 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
7 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	APA Pattern	
10 th	Wed	Yes	Burley Field	Annual Dinner & Twi-Fly	
January 2015					
22 nd	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
25 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Roy Rob Event	
February					
7 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
19 th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
28 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Fun Fly & Bi-Monthly Twi-Fly	
March					
8 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
9 th	Mon	Yes	Burley Field	Labour Day Aero Tow	
19 th	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
21-22 nd	Sat-Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Monty Tyrell Giant Model & Scale Weekend	
April					
11 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	Moved due to Easter
23 rd	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
25 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Fun Fly & Bi-Monthly Twi-Fly	Anzac Day
26 th	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Model Engines Day	
May					
3 rd	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
21 st	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
June					
6 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
18 th	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting (Winter)	7:30PM Start
27 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Fun Fly & Bi-Monthly Twi-Fly	
July					
4 th	Sat	No	Dingley	Annual Club Auction	Dingley needs booking
23 rd	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
August					
1 st	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting & AGM	
20 th	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
29 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Fun Fly & Bi-Monthly Twi-Fly	
September					
5 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
17 th	Thu	Yes	Dingley	Committee Meeting	
October					
3 rd	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting & Co-Op AGM	
22 nd	Thu	Yes	Burley Field	Committee Meeting(Summer)	8PM Start
31 st	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Fun Fly & Bi-Monthly Twi-Fly	
November					
1 st	Sun	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
3 rd	Tue	Yes	Burley Field	Melbourne Cup Aero Tow	
19 th	Thu	No	Burley Field	Committee Meeting	
December					
5 th	Sat	Yes	Burley Field	Club Meeting	
6 th	Sun	No	Burley Field	APA Pattern	
9 th	Wed	Yes	Burley Field	Annual Dinner & Twi-Fly	

P&DARCS Sub-Committee Membership Drive

A motion will be put to club members for voting at the club meeting April 11th @ P&DARCS
Current share rules:

A new member is a Probationary member for 1 year then Associate member for up to 2 years where the member is encouraged to buy shares. Associate Membership attracts a 50% levy until shares bought.

Motion: that The Committee has approved a new membership initiative.
This initiative is at the discretion of the Committee and will be reviewed periodically.

Option 1 has been recommended by the subcommittee –
A new or current probationary member may opt for either a or b:

a/ One year free membership if shares bought outright immediately after probationary year.

b/ Pay share price over 10 years with a 10% share value supplement on annual membership fee.

If the member leaves within the 10 years then his supplement is forfeited unless special leave is sought and approved by the Committee.

le; Remain an Assoc Member for 10 years @ \$140 supplement/year.*

**Note that the Committee will need to amend the club constitution in order to enable option b.*

This entails legal and lodgement costs so the Committee will only do this if there is interest by members in this option.

This initiative if for a given time only as determined by the Committee as it was agreed that should we attract a large influx of members, then we revert to the existing share scheme.

Alan Foley, (for the sub Committee)

Pakenham Consolidated School Visit

Students from Pakenham Consolidated School will be visiting the field Wednesday 11th March (weather and Fire Ban permitting) for an introduction to model flight. Times are between 9.30 and 2.00pm.

A number of members have volunteered their time to help out and conduct buddy-box flights.

If any other members are available and willing to help please contact safety@pdarcs.com.au

In the event of bad weather or fire ban this will be re-scheduled to the following Wednesday

Bunyip Scout Troop visit

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INTERPLAST DINNER

When - FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH

TIME - 6:30pm for 7pm Start

VENUE - SANDS HOTEL, Hall Road Carrum Downs

Cost - \$40.00 per head including a 3 course dinner

There will be a PowerPoint presentation on the work of Interplast
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Guest speaker

Alan Coleman OAM

Fellow of the Institution of Engineers Australia (FIEAust)

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Alan has been involved in the design and construction of Hospitals and Hospital Services in Australia and overseas including China, Malaysia, Qatar, Borneo and in Vietnam through the World Health Organisation.

**All proceeds from the night to be donated towards
Interplast Australia and New Zealand**

RSVP to Peter Harris

Seaford - Carrum Downs Rotary

pjh5@netspace.net.au or on 0425 857 152 by Tuesday 3RD March

Monty Tyrell Scale Rally

21/22 March 2015

P&DARCS Pakenham



Entry Fee - \$20 bring as many models as you like
Models entered must fly to qualify for prizes
Roving judges will award prizes for ARF and
scratch-built models

Saturday is open for general flying
All judging will occur Sunday

Further information:email Event Co-Ordinator
Roly on proconsol@bigpond.com

Catering by Cardinia Primary School



Bronze & Gold Wings Training Day at P&DARCS Saturday 28th February 2015

Greetings Members,

On the last Saturday in February we will be running another a fixed wing training day but this time it will include bronze wings for those who may not yet have obtained them.

The training will begin at 9am sharp inside the clubhouse with an introduction and discussion, followed by an opportunity for question time.

Please note the flying field will not be closed as we intend to integrate with general flying from the main active runway on the day.

I do encourage any members who may be interested or willing to have a go to do so.

A copy of the MAAA Power Gold Wings document is available for download [here](#). Refer to MAAA016 – Bronze Wings and MAAA017 – Gold Wings.

For those members who would like to attend can you please register your interest either by email to myself or put your name down on the register which will be placed on the whiteboard inside the clubhouse at the flying field.

Kind Regards,
Steve Malcman
MAAA Fixed Wing and Helicopter Instructor
AUS 41299
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F3A AEROBATICS AT GEELONG 14th and 15th FEBRUARY

Report by Norm Morrish.

Aerobatics has returned to Dog Rocks Rd field, Fyansford, near Geelong.

The past years it was held at the other Geelong Field, Mannerim, near Queenscliffe. Norm Parker and I attended many aerobatic events at Dog Rocks in the 70's and 80's and enjoyed the company of the local aerobatic champions Barry Angus (Owner of Kraft Systems Geelong) and John McGrane. Both attended World Champs in the early 70's, representing Australia.

Dog Rocks Rd hosted many Kraft Masters. Unfortunately Barry died in the early 80's at only 43. Eddie Edwards was working for Barry at the time and flew at Dog Rocks. Eddie became the Australian champion and attended 5 World Champs. During this time he started Tates Hobbies, which also trades as RC World and they sponsored this weekend. It was great to see Eddie visit us on Saturday.

John McGrane designed the Northerner in 1972 and this was a real leap forward, compared to the models of the day, namely Taurus and Dragon Fly. He made them in kit form and I still have one that I began flying in 1974.

I still fly it in the Classic aerobatics. It is a mustard colour and 40 years old. We showed it to John when he was bed ridden and 4 years ago when he died his family asked if we could use the Northerner to spread his ashes over the Dog Rocks Rd field. Both Norm Parker and I plus Brian and Steve Green met the McGrane family at the field and we spread his ashes over the field. I did the first flight with his eldest daughter operating the release hatch switch. I did many manouvres prior to releasing his ashes. Norm Parker did the other flight with John's wife releasing the Ashes.

I am not aware of any other persons ashes being flown in their owned designed and built model aircraft. This field has a lot of history for Norm Parker and I, so it was fantastic to see Norm compete at this event. During the pilot briefing on Saturday Norm and I paid respect to Barry and John and I told them about spreading the Ashes. Many, including locals were not aware of it. Weather looked doubtful Saturday morning but cleared by 10am and 6 rounds were flown by all 24 entrants.

P&DARCS were well represented and bought home a few trophies.

Present were Peter Hill, Geoff Healey, Darren Tilmak, Ted Knowles, Norm Parker, myself and our new member Tom Bloodworth.

Our results. Tom won F3A and I came third. Darren again won Expert and obtained his final promotion point into F3A. (3 in 3 events. Outstanding performance Darren) Pete came 3rd in expert and obtained his first promo into F3A. Only 2 to go Pete !!!!. Ted came 2nd in Advanced. Our next event is the Masters at Pitt Town near Sydney, in March. Tom and I will be representing our club.

New Shed Report – Feb 2015

By Ivan Chiselett, Vice President

Well for those who visit the field you will no doubt know that the new shed is now complete. The concrete floor was completed a week or so ago. It sure looks good and big, unfortunately not big enough for indoor flying. Naturally there is still works to go on inside such as connection to the electricity, installation of lights and new security system and we still have to purchase the 3 new vehicle hoists.

I would like to thank members of the committee for their work in getting the shed done. There was always one of them available to go to the field to unlock for a contactor or deliver stuff etc, if I could not make it. It was really a good team effort. I have already advised Ken Smith, our local Parliamentarian in 2014, that the shed is now completed. Without Ken's help we would have never, and I mean never, got the permit from Melbourne Water to build the shed. Ken was terrific and it is sad that he chose to retire from Parliament.

So far the shed has cost us about \$36,000. This has been entirely paid for by the club out of our own funds. You will recall that we were to seek a loan of up to \$50,000 from the MAAA for the purchase of the shed and associated equipment. However our Treasurer advised that we had sufficient funds of our own to get the project up and running while we waited for the MAAA to process our loan application. So we started work while waiting to hear from MAAA.

Unfortunately our loan application to the MAAA has stalled as they asked for a mortgage on our field as a guarantee for the loan. The DARCSField Co-op members and the committee took this as an insult considering that we own a \$1,000,000 piece of land and also are one of the biggest clubs in Australia with a very long history and our members have paid a considerable amount into the MAAA over many years. Hence the application has stalled as we sent the document back to the MAAA with the mortgage clause crossed out and the amount of the loan amended to "up to \$20,000. To my knowledge we have not heard back from MAAA at this time. So we assume that the loan application will not proceed because we would not give them the mortgage guarantee.

The situation that we are in at the moment is that we have expended a good portion of our funds to get the shed to this point and do not want to pay out more and leave us short of reserves. Therefore, at this time the shed works will slow to a crawl until we get / accumulate funds to purchase the vehicle hoists.

To complete the works we need to purchase 3 more vehicle hoists, the same as the one in the old shed. These and the required electrical works will cost about \$15,000. Fortunately our club electricians, Peter and Frank, will be able to do the electrical works at their normal very cheap, ie zero, rate. We are so lucky to have those and others who do a great amount of work for the club.

It is some what interesting that I have heard rumors that the club was in financial strife. This is absolute rubbish. I do not know where they originated but how many clubs have the resources to expend \$36,000 on a project and not put themselves into financial stress. The fact is that the club is still very financial even after the shed works.

Recently the MAAA distributed to clubs a document titled "MAAA Club Assistance Scheme". This is a scheme of making grants available to clubs for projects. We will be preparing an application for a grant for the purchase of the vehicle hoists and associated electrical and security equipment that we need to complete the shed and the associated flood protection works. Hopefully we are successful and that will enable us to complete the works expeditiously and without using further club funds.

So at the moment we are sort of in limbo waiting to see when we can proceed. Let us hope that we are successful with our MAAA grant application so that we can complete the works very soon and know that our machinery is protected against any further floods.

The committee will keep you informed.

**Ivan Chiselett
Vice President**

OUR NEW SHED

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The side door step



North side apron



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